

# 279TH BASE SUPPORT BATTALION

## COMMANDER'S POLICY

<b>POLICY NUMBER:</b> 01-41	<b>DATE:</b> AUG 7 2003
<b>SUBJECT:</b> Building of Fires, Discharge of Fireworks	
<b>PROPONENT:</b> DPW (469-1560)	<b>DISTRIBUTION:</b> A, B, & C

**PURPOSE:** Provide guidance on fires and fireworks in areas under US Army control.

**REFERENCES:** 98<sup>th</sup> ASG Fire Regulation, 279<sup>th</sup> BSB Fire Regulation and Bavarian State Forest Law

### POLICY:

1. Starting fires in or within 100 meters of a forest without authorization by German authorities is prohibited. Outdoor fires on windy days are also not allowed. Fires and ashes must be extinguished upon leaving an area. Any bonfire must be approved by the 279th Base Support Battalion Fire Chief.
2. Matches and lighters will not be given to children and must be stored so that they are inaccessible to children. Violations are punishable under Articles 13 and 16 of the Bavarian State Forest Law.
3. Fireworks.
  - a. Use and ignition of fireworks in places under the control of the 279th Base Support Battalion (BSB) is prohibited unless written approval from the BSB Commander and Fire Prevention Division is obtained.
  - b. Supervised displays and exhibitions may be made by units, clubs or organizations when permitted and executed in accordance with local laws, and approved by the BSB Commander.
4. Violators of this policy letter are subject to adverse administrative action and/or criminal action pursuant to German law or the Uniform Code of Military Justice.
5. "Maximum Support - It Shall Be Done!"



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